

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the matter of:

The Involvement of Pacific Gas and Electric Company's Electric Facilities in the 2020 Zogg Fire

Docket No. H.22-11-015 (Filed October 25, 2022)

SAFETY AND ENFORCEMENT DIVISION AND PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY (U 39 E) JOINT STATUS UPDATE

Pursuant to Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Mason's December 7, 2022 email ruling, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) and the Safety and Enforcement Division (SED) file this Joint Status Update for H.22-11-015, In the matter of The Involvement of Pacific Gas and Electric Company's Electric Facilities in the 2020 Zogg Fire. PG&E and the SED are collectively referred to as "Parties" in this motion.

On November 21, 2022, PG&E timely filed a Request for Hearing in Response to the Proposed Administrative Enforcement Order (AEO) issued by the SED on October 25, 2022. On November 29, 2022, the Parties filed a joint motion for a stay of proceedings until January 31, 2023, pursuant to Rule 12.6 of the Commission's Rule of Practice and Procedure, to allow the Parties the opportunity to engage in confidential settlement proceedings. On December 7, 2022, ALJ Mason granted the joint motion, suspending the proceeding until January 31, 2023, and directing the Parties to submit a status update by January 21, 2023.

The Parties have been actively engaged in the confidential settlement negotiations, but progress has been disrupted by the need for the Parties to focus on emergency response. On December 20, 2022, a 6.4 magnitude earthquake struck offshore from Northern California,

¹ ALJ Mason's ruling directed that the status update be filed no later than January 21, 2023. Because that date falls on a Saturday, the Parties are filing this status update on the first business day thereafter. (See Public Utilities Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure, Rule 1.15.)

causing widespread damage and necessitating repairs to restore service to electric customers and safety surveys of gas and electric infrastructure. Also beginning in December, a historic series of winter storms has drenched California, creating potentially hazardous conditions, such as flooding, mud slides, and road closures, as well as damaging electric equipment and causing power outages. The Parties therefore needed to suspend settlement discussions in order to focus on advance preparation for and response to the storms, including PG&E prestaging equipment and extra crews to restore customers impacted by the storms.

The Parties have now resumed discussions and will be filing a separate motion to seek a limited extension of the stay until February 28, 2023. By February 28, 2023, the Parties will report to the Commission as to whether we have reached an agreement in principle and expect to file a proposed settlement or whether the stay should be lifted, and a prehearing conference scheduled.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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